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## A WARNING TO AUTOMOBILISTS.

The automobilists running over the new road to New London should take notice of the D. B. Pierce, Jr., Co. signs and advertisements with reference to in future not making over 15 miles an hour over the new macadam built by the company. The explanation is written in the Bulletin.

"We are compelled to take strong measures to keep automobilists from destroying this new road before it is completed and turned over to the state. We are responsible for, and it is our property, until accepted and paid for by the state. We are perfectly willing the public should use this road at a moderate rate of speed, but do not feel like paying out thousands of dollars to gratify the desire for excessive speed. We have been building roads for the past twenty years, and have observed them closely and have no hesitation in saying that the speed maniac has caused an increase in the contract price for macadam roads of over twenty-five per cent. A speed of twenty-five miles an hour over an old and settled macadam road will not do any harm, and they can be maintained in perfect repair at a slight expense, but a speed much in excess of that raises the dust and jostles the stones to such an extent that it is almost impossible without constant attention, to keep these roads in shape. All new roads should have at least three months' rest before being opened to the public. All automobilists who have the good road movement at heart should co-operate and help maintain them by using a little moderation in regard to speed on new roads. If they do not, a law will be passed that will compel them to respect the rights of the contractor and the state. I say this not only for myself but in behalf of all the contractors in the state as well as for the good of the state roads at large and all of us should be interested in keeping up the good roads that we have and those that are to be built."

The contractors have been severely tried by the abuse of the roads while under construction and their grievances are a genuine one. To ignore their request is to invite trouble.

## THE TELEPHONE BUSINESS.

The telephone business is but thirty-three years old and it is one of the industrial leviathans of the age. The Electrical Review calls attention to the fact that the telephone business has grown so greatly that January 1, 1910, 10,000,000 stations and over 240,000,000 miles of wire were in use in the world and two-thirds are in the United States. Germany leads Europe in telephone stations with over 900,000, or 10,000 more than New York City alone. The city in the United States which has the most telephone stations in proportion to population is Los Angeles, with 63,000. In Europe, Stockholm, Sweden, has 40,000, and Copenhagen, Denmark, has 35,000. The investment in this business, January 1, 1910, was \$1,500,000,000, or \$146 per station, in all the world. Sixty-five per cent. of this entire investment is in the United States. The per capita investment in telephones in this country, \$9.49, is slightly less than that of the iron and steel, foundry and machine industries. Among the European states, Switzerland has the highest investment per capita, \$16.5; Sweden and Denmark have exactly the same investment per capita, \$15.96. Great Britain, Germany and Norway come next, their investments being respectively \$12.45, \$12.25, and \$12.15. The telephone investment of Austria is the small sum of \$0.77 per capita. The gross revenue in Europe for 1907, the latest figures obtainable, was about \$75,000,000 and for the United States for the same year about \$155,000,000. In the European countries where the state owns the telephone service and conducts it as a part of the postoffice and telegraph service a revenue is returned. In Germany the telephone net for 1907 was \$2,568,000 annually, or two per cent. on the capital of \$126,529,000. In Great Britain a small revenue is derived from the telephone net. Where other countries still use the mail and the telegraph America finds more despatch in the telephone, hence the great popularity of the service in this country.

## A FARMER'S RETORT.

An Illinois farmer, who has had experience in the business of supplying milk to the city of Chicago has declined the idea that the barn is looked after too strictly by the board of health and the homes too little; in other words, that these health officials are guilty of asking the farmer to swallow camels. His complaint is worth reading. He wrote the Chicago News:

"For the last two years the farmer must test his cows every day and whitewash the barn at least once a year, and it must have enough sunlight and plenty of ventilation. The milk must be sufficiently cool before he ships it. I don't see what else can be done."

"In regard to the testing of the cows, I will say that the farmer loses many good and healthy animals in this way, as the testing doesn't give very correct results. The veterinary has to take the temperature of the cows four times at two-hour intervals before testing the tuberculin, and next day he must take the temperature again three times, and any cow that has a temperature above normal is condemned. Now, some cows are easily excited and when there is a stranger fussing around or when some cow has been a little bit overfed, the result is that her temperature is above normal and she is condemned."

"As a rule, I think, every farmer tries to keep his cows and his barn and milk in the best condition. He has to work hard for the health officials. I think the city health department ought to start with the cleaning of homes first. There are many rooms in the city that don't get sunlight and that have little ventilation. Families with three or four boarders living in damp and dark basement rooms, with dead rats, cats and chickens in the alley, is not healthy."

There is no doubt that the farmer is right, but a city health department never digs deep around home. Politics and health are involved in most wonderful ways.

## TWO HUNDRED CONCOCTIONS.

In every prohibition state the still of the people is dotted and the appetites of the thirsty quenched by the sale of "bitters" and this mode of breaking the law and beating the government has been going on for a good while; but the trade has received a hard blow by a recent decision of the United States treasury department that, unless such compounds are sufficiently medicinal and useful to be used as beverages, persons who deal in them will have to pay the same revenue tax that falls upon the same value tax which is levied upon them.

A list of two hundred concoctions that come within the ban and are liable to the tax has already been published, and, as its contents and its implications become known, consternation may be expected to spread among the proprietors of country stores and the persons who, in default of something better, buy and absorb their wares.

The distribution of spirits to consumers under the name of "bitters," which are from 50 to 80 per cent. alcohol, has been permitted in the future, and it is surprising that it has been so long tolerated in the past; for seller and consumer have been aware that the spirit of the law was being violated and the government was indeed slow to see that it was being robbed of its revenue. This is a most commendable ruling.

## SHORTAGE OF DOMESTIC HELP.

It is estimated that Maine can find work for 10,000 girls in the families of that state. The fact is, there is no worker in such quick demand in any state of New England as the competent, faithful girl for housework.

Circulars were sent out by the bureau of industrial and labor statistics of Maine to every one of the 52 cities, towns and plantations. Definite figures were returned by 113, one of which was a large city.

As only 21 per cent. of the places addressed replied, it is considered a fair estimate that the remaining 79 per cent. would require at least twice as many, or 6,450 more, making a full 16,000.

The wages paid are equal to or better than those paid in stores and many offices. First class girls are offered from \$3 to \$6 a week and all reasonable privileges.

It is not likely that there is one of the six New England states that does not need a great increase of such help. It is probable that 25,000 good girls could find work in this part of the country at fair wages, so that the supply must come from without, rather than from within. There is room for a host of able-bodied alien girls in these states.

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

The postoffice business is pointed out as the only business that succeeds without advertising.

There is one thing the women know that they should be given credit for—that every man needs a boss.

Happy thought for today: If you think that your life is an open book, think again, or you'll fool yourself.

New York has had demand of its state that 36 inches shall be the width of the road, and 15 ounces for a pound.

The automobile traffic cuts down the time to reach an express factory. It is a popular fact now to beat the car.

An Ohio editor thinks that he knows 3 ways to get a cool drink. We can tell him that he'll do the trick—go down himself.

After the picnic is the time to give a true definition of it. A real picnic may be foreshadowed but it cannot be fore-run.

If Morse had given as much attention to being right as he is now giving to being free, he would not now be in prison.

Now surprise is expressed at the west that Ballinger is willing to be a barracade on the administration during the fall elections.

Philadelphia has just sold a five-million bond issue over the city treasury. Home products are still popular there.

If man's estimate of flies, sparrows and things is correct, the Almighty must be religiously when he pronounced all His creations good.

The new school of politics, it is said, "will decide whether the country shall be governed by money for profit or by men for human welfare."

There are some people who think that it is more honorable to work nine hours for ten hours' pay, than to work ten hours for the same amount.

Now that the emperor of China has declined to wear his shirt inside his trousers, Chinese style will not seem so much different from our own.

Jack Johnson is offered \$75,000 for a nine months' tour of England, and that is all we give the president of the United States for a year's work.

The Norwich man who has returned from his vacation has learned by experience that this good old town is a good enough summer resort for him.

The Dowries, Volvass and Sanfords will collect hundreds of thousands the name of religion and flourish upon them just as if they were not ill-gotten gains.

The pathetic side of the divorce court is the children who are standing anxiously by awaiting results and wondering whether they have a future or not.

The little girl who was asked by the parson what should be done first before we are forgiven our sins and released from the burden of sin, said that she did not get so very far from the mark.

Jeff Did not Lose in Fifteen Rounds. Tom Corbett, official betting commissioner for the Jeffries-Johnson fight, answered a number of queries in regard to bets on the battle. He said the fight was a close one.

"The better wins who waged Johnson won in fifteen rounds. The better loses who bet Jeffries would last fifteen rounds. He played out fourteen and a fraction and it would have been necessary for the bell to ring at the end of the fifteenth round with that bet. Other novel bets were also made. One fellow wagered \$100 that the fight would last fifteen rounds. He won. Another bet that Johnson would be even money at the end of the fight. He lost. The negro ruled at even with Jeffries along about the twelfth and fourteenth rounds."

# Woman in Life and in the Kitchen

DICTATES OF FASHION.

of potash and bitartrate of potash. (Recommended by Dr. Goodhart.)

"Beef Loaf." One and a half pounds round beef; remove all bone and gristle; chop fine one cup of rolled crackers, one egg, butter size of an egg, one tablespoon of salt, one teaspoon each of pepper and poultry seasoning, one cup of milk. Stir all well together, bake in a small, well greased bread pan one and a half hours. Use food chopper if you have one.

Tomato Omelet. Fry three slices of bacon crisp, remove and add to the fat one sliced onion; cook a light brown; beat three eggs, a little pepper, three tablespoons of milk, and a dash of salt. Add the onion and bacon finely crumbled, turn in a well greased pan, and as it thickens roll and serve on hot platter.

Potted Ham. To two pounds of lean ham allow one pound of fat, two teaspoons of salt, one nutmeg, half a nutmeg, ground, rather more than half a teaspoonful of cayenne. Mince the ham fat and lean together in the above proportions and pound it well in a mortar, season with cayenne pepper, and mix into a deep baking dish and well into a stone jar, fill up the jar with clarified lard, cover closely and bake over a fire of brick for two hours. For winter use in moderate oven.

Never Fail Sponge Cake. Two eggs, beat five minutes with egg beater; add one cup sugar, beat two minutes; one level cup flour, beat level teaspoon baking powder, pinch salt; add one-half cup boiling milk; flavor with China silk makes one of the delectable and most practical informal dinner cakes.

Furniture Polish. An excellent polish for ordinary purposes may be made by mixing one part of linseed oil and one part spirits of turpentine.

Use a piece of cloth or fine flannel and apply to the surface of the furniture, then rub well with a pad of wool. Another plan is to use equal parts of turpentine, linseed oil and vinegar.

A good polish for mahogany is obtained by mixing one part of red oil naphtha and two and a half ounces of shellac. Dissolve the latter by leaving it in a warm place, then shake well and use by means of a brush.

Bare wood can be polished with pumice stone, passing it regularly over for a number of times, then take powdered tripol and boiled linseed oil and polish to a brilliant surface.

## HEALTH AND BEAUTY.

Apply glycerine to a scald directly after the accident happens and cover it with strips of rag soaked in glycerine. If the glycerine is not at hand, apply olive oil in the same way.

To prevent car sickness, make a small bag of white cloth about two and one-half inches square, fill with corn meal, salt, pin it to the clothing under the chin so it comes directly in the hollow of the neck. This is a simple but nevertheless effective cure.

Take your shower bath daily, as usual, but wear a thick rubber cap on your head and down over the ears. The shower bath is partly responsible for many bad headaches. The shock of the water is too great for the head; it weakens the hair follicles and a bald head is the result.

The daily bath does not free one entirely from the unpleasant odor of perspiration. A sure remedy for this odor is the bathing of the face, hands, arms and underneath the arms with a solution of borax and water.

It is a good plan to apply olive oil liberally, comb the hair thoroughly and then to expose it for some hours to the direct rays of a warm sun. The exposure may be repeated on the following day, and on the third day the hair may be washed with cold water and with warm soap suds and be rinsed.

It is all very well to go without a hat and to wash the face with cold water and to get the hair wet every day with salt water, but does it not seem to you that your hair becomes faded and brittle, your nose trickles, your forehead itches, your ears and your arms and neck of a hue far removed from any shade that harmonizes with one's clothes?

Pineapple Tapioca. Soak a cup of pearl tapioca over night. Boil until clear, add a cup of granulated sugar, a tiny pinch of salt and two cups of chopped pineapple—or more if desired. (Fresh or canned fruit may be used.) Let stand a few hours and serve cold with whipped cream. If fresh pineapple is used for this dessert, cut it in small cubes and sprinkle with granulated sugar and allow it to stand for a while before adding it to the tapioca. This dessert will keep for several days and is better when it has been made for twenty-four hours.

Fish Timbale. Free sufficient cooked fish from skin and bones to make two cups. Put it through a sieve, add a little salt and a cupful of fine white bread crumbs, half a cupful of milk, a tablespoonful each of butter and sugar. Mix all together and press into a timbale mold. Bake in a hot oven for ten minutes. Turn out and serve with a little sauce.

Grape Fruit Marmalade from Skins. After removing every particle of brown from the rind of clean grape fruit, run the skins with all the white part through a meat grinder. Put in cold water a little more than to cover, add a little salt, and let come slowly to a boil. Then pour into a sieve so that all the bitter water will be removed. To each cupful of this grape fruit rind add one cupful granulated sugar and a little water. Boil until the mixture is clear and tender. But in glasses, if the mixture is boiled stiff it may be candied and will be nice to add to gingerbread, mince-meat, fruit cake, etc.

Points for Mother to Remember. The infection of measles does not cling to furniture and clothing with the same tenacity as it does to the child who has had mumps should not return to school for four weeks from the beginning of the illness, and then only if the swelling has subsided.

Here is an excellent drink for children suffering from febrile infectious disease when there is much fever: Barley water, to each pint of which is added 15 to 20 grains each of nitrate

## The Strong Man's Day.

"Men do not go to church; they go to jail. We are more just now than ever before—in theory only. Again and again great lawyers have said in the past two years that the spirit of the law is sacrificed for the letter." That was said by Rev. Arthur Barber of the Trinity Congregational church in Lawrence when he was talking about the mayor of that city being in jail for conspiracy. His method of speech is caustic and he makes the points so keen that there is no getting away from them. It is certain that men do not go to church so much nowadays, and many of them go to jail. Perhaps the attendance is not large enough in either institution. There is no longer any attention paid to the spirit of a law, and the letter of it is heaved into shapes that are not recognizable to the makers thereof. The Lawrence preacher is right, and that is not all he said. Here is one more of the same sound reminder: "We are more merciful than ever before. So we are—once a man is knocked off his feet, beaten and robbed. But while men can stand and hit them oftener and harder than ever before. It is the strong man's day." Worcester Telegram.

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